

ABSTRACT

The present invention relates to a vessel (BAT) which is designed to travel over a surface of a body of water or a waterway, and to collect on board waste that is present close to said surface.

According to the invention, the vessel (BAT) comprises retaining means (MRS, MRL) which are able to trap and retain said waste and to be activated by creating a water flow channel which connects a water inlet and a water outlet (EO, SO) provided in said vessel (BAT), the retaining means (MRS, MRL) being arranged on at least one trajectory of said channel.

The invention makes it possible for the vessel (BAT) to collect waste without using a specific pumping or gathering device, control of which device would require additional actions over and above those required to manoeuvre said vessel (BAT).